

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A peptide consisting of ~~the~~ amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO: 2.

Claims 2-5 (Cancelled).

6. (Previously Presented) A composition comprising the peptide of claim 1.

7. (Previously Presented) The composition of claim 6, further comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.

Claim 8 and 9 (Cancelled).

10 (Currently Amended) The composition of claim 6, ~~characterized in that it further comprises~~ comprising one or more compounds selected from the group consisting of an adjuvant, one or more cytokines, antibodies directed against CD2, CD3, CD27, CD28 or other T cell surface antigens, and helper epitopes to stimulate CD4⁺ or CD8⁺ T cells.

Claims 11-17 (Cancelled).